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WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THERE IS ANY SERIOUS RISK THAT LONGAN'S POLICE SECURITY BACKGROUND WOULD DAMAGE HIS CREDIBILITY WITH THE FARC. THE FARC REPRESENTATIVES MAY NOT DISCOVER HIS IDENTITY AND BACKGROUND, AND EVEN IF THEY DID THEY ARE LIKELY TO BE MUCH MORE CONCERNED WITH THE SUBSTANCE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS THAN WITH LONGAN HIMSELF. WE ALSO DOUBT THAT HIS BACKGROUND WOULD COMPROMISE THE PEACE CORPS' NON-POLITICAL NATURE BECAUSE LONGAN WOULD BE CAST IN ROLE OF MRS. JENSEN'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE. IT ALSO OCCURS TO US THAT LONGAN MAY CHOOSE TO EMPLOY OTHERS HERE TO ASSIST HIM IN HIS WORK AND THIS COULD FURTHER DIMINISH ANY SUC RISKS. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE RECOMMEND CONSIDERATIONS BE GIVEN TO HIRING LONGAN INITIALLY AS A CONSULTANT AND HAVING HIM VISIT COLOMBIA IN THAT CAPACITY TO SURVEY THE SITUATION, ASSESS PROBLEMS AND RISKS PERSONALLY AND PROPOSE COURSES OF ACTION.
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